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SUBJECT: INFORMATION ON PESTICIDE USE AND RESIDUES

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1. PURSUANT TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH CODE ARTICLE 5858, USE OF FOLLOWING SUBSTANCES AS PESTICIDES IS PROHIBITED, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE SPECIFICALLY APPROVED BY FRENCH MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE: ALDRIN, ENDRIN, STRYCHNIN, MERCURY-CONTAINING PESTICIDES AND HEPTACHLOR. PURSUANT TO PUBLIC HEALTH CODE ARTICLE 5167, MIXING OF FOLLOWING SUBSTANCES FOR AGRICULTURAL USE IS PROHIBITED, EXCEPT AS SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED BY FRENCH MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE: CHLORDANE AND DDT.

2. ACCORDING TO MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE, USE IN FRANCE OF FOLLOWING SUBSTANCES AS PESTICIDES IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED: ALDRIN, DIELDRIN, HEPTACHLOR, CHLORDANE, AND ENDRIN. FOLLOWING SUBSTANCES MAY BE USED AS PESTICIDES FOR LIMITED PURPOSES: KEPONE (FOR TROPICAL PRODUCTS), STRYCHNIN, AND MERCURY-CONTAINING PESTICIDES (CEREAL SEED TREATMENT).

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3. DDT USE IS NOT PROHIBITED BY LAW. HOWEVER, "HOMOLOGATION" HAS BEEN REFUSED, WHICH MEANS THAT USERS MAY EMPLOY DDT AT OWN RISK AND LIABILITY. OTHER PESTICIDES, WHEN USED UNDER GOVERNMENT APPROVAL OR HOMOLOGATION, CONFER MEASURE OF LEGAL PROTECTION ON USER AGAINST LATER-DISCOVERED ADVERSE EFFECTS.

4. MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE TOLD POST THAT SUBSTANCES APPROVED FOR USE AS PESTICIDES IN FRANCE MAY BE ASSUMED TO BE PRODUCED CURRENTLY IN FRANCE FOR BOTH DOMESTIC AND EXPORT SALE. FRENCH TRADE STATISTICS DO NOT IDENTIFY SPECIFIC EXPORTS OF SUBJECT PESTICIDES, EXCEPT FOR DDT. IN 1976, FRANCE EXPORTED DDT TO THE NETHERLANDS, BELGIUM-LUX, SWITZERLAND, TURKEY, NIGERIA AND THE IVORY COAST, BUT NOT RPT NOT TO U.S.

5. CURRENT LEGAL SITUATION IS THAT PESTICIDE USE IS PERMITTED UNLESS PESTICIDE IS SPECIFICALLY PROHIBITED IN PUBLIC HEALTH CODE LISTING, AND THEN IT MAY RECEIVE LIMITED APPROVAL FROM MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE. PENDING TOXIC SUBSTANCES LEGISLATION, IF APPROVED, WOULD IMPOSE INITIAL PRESUMPTION AGAINST USE OF NEW PESTICIDE, UNTIL IMPORTER OR PRODUCER COMES FORWARD WITH PROOF THAT PRODUCT IS SAFE. REFTEL B.

6. COPY OF ORGANIC LAW CONCERNING TOXIC SUBSTANCES BEING FORWARDED TO EPA/OIA BY AIRGRAM.
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